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Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

| Name | Julius Samann Ltd. |
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| Granted to Date of previous extension | 08/17/2011 |
| Address | Victoria Place, 31 Victoria Street Hamilton, HM 10 BERMUDA |
| Party who filed Extension of time to oppose | Julius Sämann Ltd. Julius Sämann Ltd. |
| Relationship to party who filed Extension of time to oppose | The name is not being changed. The name was entered without the umlaut over the a ("ä") because the system rejected the non-ASCII character. The opposer's name is Julius Sämann Ltd. |

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Applicant Information

| Application No | 85189556 | Publication date | 04/19/2011 |
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| Opposition Filing Date | 06/06/2011 | Opposition Period Ends | 08/17/2011 |
| Applicant | D & J Distributing and Manufa 1302 Holloway Rd. Holland, OH 43528 UNITED STATES | acturing | |

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 005.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Auto accessories, namely, air fresheners

Grounds for Opposition

Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

| U.S. Registration No. | 3126834 | | Application Date | 09/02/20 | 05 |
|------------------------|--|------|--------------------------|----------|------|
| Registration Date | 08/08/20 | 06 | Foreign Priority Date | NONE | |
| Word Mark | BLACK I | CE | | | |
| Design Mark | В | LA | CK | IC | CE |
| Description of Mark | NONE | | | | |
| Goods/Services | Class 005. First use: First Use: 2004/07/16 First Use In Commerce: 2004/07/16 Air fresheners | | | | |
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| U.S. Application/ Registration No. | NONE | Application Date | NONE |
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| Registration Date | NONE | | |
| Word Mark | ICE BLUE | | |
| Goods/Services | Air fresheners | | |

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| Signature | /Roberta S. Bren/nmd/ | |
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| Date | 06/06/2011 | |

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

| JULIUS SÄMANN LTD., | |
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| Opposer, |)) |
| v. |) |
| D & J DISTRIBUTING AND MANUFACTURING DBA EXOTICA FRESHENERS, |) Opposition No |
| Applicant. |))) |

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

In the matter of the application for registration of the mark ICEY BLACK for goods in International Class 5, Application Serial No. 85/189,556 filed December 2, 2010, which was published at page TM 623 of the April 19, 2011 *Official Gazette* of the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO").

JULIUS SÄMANN LTD. ("Opposer") is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Bermuda, at Victoria Place, 31 Victoria Street, Hamilton HM 10, Bermuda, and believes that it will be damaged by registration of the mark ICEY BLACK, which is the subject of Application Serial No. 85/189,556, and hereby opposes same.

As grounds for Opposition it is alleged as follows:

1. Upon information and belief, D & J DISTRIBUTING AND MANUFACTURING DBA EXOTICA FRESHENERS ("Applicant") filed on December 2, 2010 an application based on Section 1(b) of the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. §1051(b), to register the

mark ICEY BLACK (hereinafter "Applicant's Mark") for "Auto accessories, namely, air fresheners" in International Class 5 (hereinafter "Applicant's Goods"). The application was assigned Serial No. 85/189,556 by the USPTO.

- 2. Since a date prior to Applicant's filing date, Opposer has been, and is now, using the mark BLACK ICE on and in connection with air fresheners.
- 3. Opposer owns Registration No. 3,126,834, which issued on August 8, 2006, for the mark BLACK ICE for "Air fresheners." Said registration is valid and subsisting. Printouts from the USPTO's TARR and Assignment records of Opposer's pleaded Registration are attached as Exhibit 1, and are provided pursuant to Trademark Rule 2.122(d)(1).
- 4. Since a date prior to Applicant's filing date, Opposer has been, and is now, using the mark ICE BLUE on and in connection with air fresheners.
- 5. Opposer will rely on all of its registered and common law rights in its mark BLACK ICE and all of its common law rights in its mark ICE BLUE (hereinafter "Opposer's Marks").
- 6. Opposer through its predecessors and licensees has used Opposer's Marks to identify its air fresheners (hereinafter "Opposer's Goods"), in interstate commerce in the United States, for many years.
- 7. Opposer, through its licensee, Car-Freshner Corporation, continues to use Opposer's Marks to identify Opposer's Goods in interstate commerce in the United States.
- 8. Upon information and belief, Applicant has not used Applicant's Mark in commerce on or in connection with Applicant's Goods prior to December 2, 2010.
- 9. Applicant's Mark ICEY BLACK is confusingly similar to Opposer's BLACK ICE mark.

- 10. Applicant's Mark ICEY BLACK is confusingly similar to Opposer's ICE BLUE mark.
- Applicant's Goods in Application Serial No. 85/189,556 are identical to Opposer's Goods.
- 12. Upon information and belief, Applicant's Goods under Applicant's Mark are intended to be distributed through the same or overlapping channels of trade and to the same classes of purchasers as Opposer's Goods under Opposer's Marks.
- 13. Applicant's use and registration of Applicant's Mark will enable Applicant to trade upon and utilize the goodwill established by Opposer in Opposer's Marks.
- Applicant's alleged ICEY BLACK mark so resembles each of Opposer's BLACK ICE and ICE BLUE marks as to be likely, if used in connection with Applicant's proposed goods "auto accessories, namely air fresheners," to cause confusion or mistake or to deceive purchasers resulting in damage and detriment to Opposer and its reputation, all in violation of Section 2(d) of the Trademark Act, 15 USC §1052(d).
- 15. Upon information and belief, the *bona fides* of Applicant's intent-to-use Applicant's Mark is not apparent from materials of record in the subject application, and Opposer therefore challenges same and leaves Applicant to its proofs with regard to the nature and sufficiency of its intent to use at the time of filing Application Serial No. 85/189,556, and at all times subsequent thereto.
- Opposer, upon information and belief, avers that it will be damaged by the registration of Applicant's Mark, in that the mark is confusingly similar to each of Opposer's Marks, and will be used in connection with goods identical to Opposer's Goods.

WHEREFORE, Opposer, JULIUS SÄMANN LTD., prays that this Opposition be sustained, and the application for registration of Applicant's Mark be denied.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Opposer has appointed ROBERTA S. BREN, and the following attorneys of the law firm of OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND, MAIER & NEUSTADT, L.L.P., as its attorneys with full powers of substitution and revocation, to file and prosecute this opposition proceeding and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in connection herewith:

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If filed online, the required filing fee of \$300.00 for this Opposition is being submitted through ESTTA. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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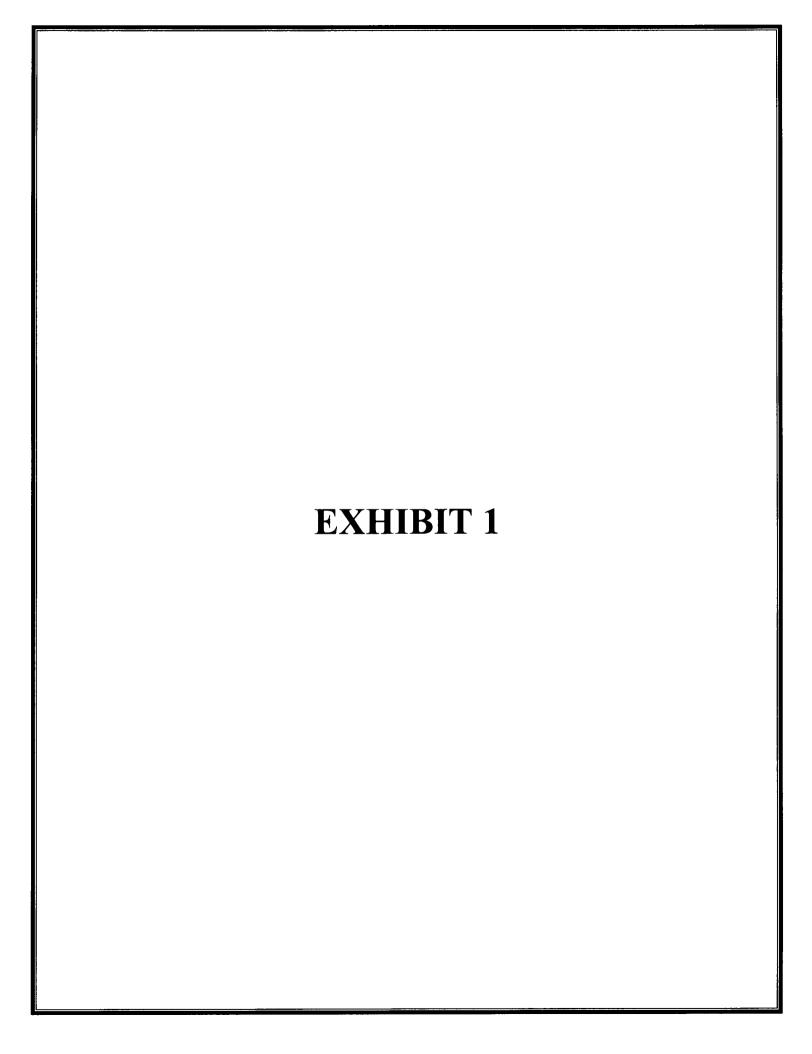
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing **NOTICE OF OPPOSITION** was served on Applicant at the correspondence address as identified by the records of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office this $\underline{6}^{th}$ day of June, 2011, by sending same, via First Class mail, postage prepaid, to:

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Legal Entity Type: Corporation

State or Country of Incorporation: Bermuda

GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 005 Class Status: Active Air fresheners

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 2004-07-16

First Use in Commerce Date: 2004-07-16

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